catharsis

By Ahniki

-BEEP-

HEY LEON. IT'S BEEN A WHILE.

DID I WAKE YOU?
HEY HARVEY. I WAS

ACTUALLY ABOUT TO GO TO BED.
AH.. GOOD THING I CALLED YOU ON TIME THEN.

I'VE GOT SOME NEWS FOR YOU. IT'S IMPORTANT THAT YOU'RE AWAKE FOR IT.

DOES THIS HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH MY INACTIVITY? AM I BEING FIRED?
FIRED?

Haha, no, it's nothing like that at all. And think of your absence from the team as sort of a vacation to take it easy. Because that was my sole intention.

Paris was around to make sure that you weren't exerting yourself in any way.

IRONICALLY, I FELT MORE DRAINED HAVING HIM LOOK AFTER ME...
IF THAT'S THE CASE

THEN WHY DIDN'T YOU JUST TELL ME THAT IN THE BEGINNING?
I REALLY FELT LIKE I WAS IN TROUBLE, AND WAS GOING TO GET FIRED FOR SOMETHING I DID.
YOU'RE RIGHT

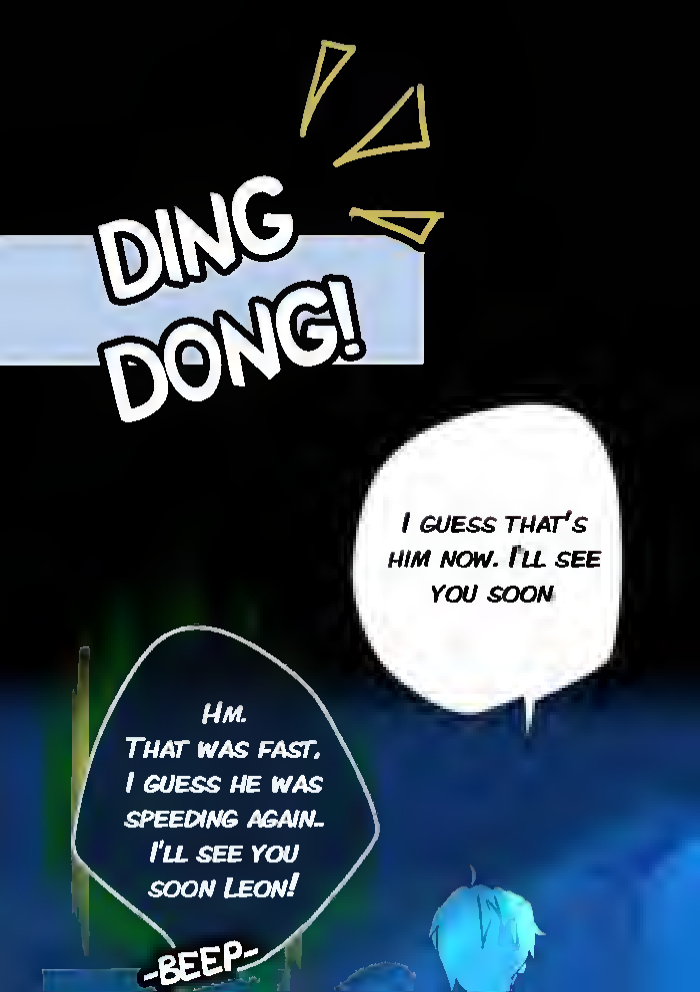
I SHOULD HAVE TOLD YOU IN THE BEGINNING, BUT THERE WERE REASONS WHY I COULDN'T.
ANYWAYS, I'LL EXPLAIN EVERYTHING

TO YOU WHEN YOU COME DOWN TO HQ. PARIS IS ON THE WAY TO PICK YOU UP RIGHT NOW.

But I've still got school tomorrow.
And I don't plan on making you tardy.
MARKET

I JUST HAVE TO RUN SOME ASSESSMENT TESTS ON YOU AFTER YOUR VACATION.
YOU CAN REST UP IN THE REMH ROOMS AFTER FOR SOME SLEEP BEFORE SCHOOL STARTS IN THE MORNING.

SIGH


DING DONG!
I GUESS THAT'S HIM NOW. I'LL SEE YOU SOON
HM. THAT WAS FAST, I GUESS HE WAS SPEEDING AGAIN.. I'LL SEE YOU SOON LEON!
-BEEP-

CHANGED
CLOTHES

OPEN--
(SILENCE)

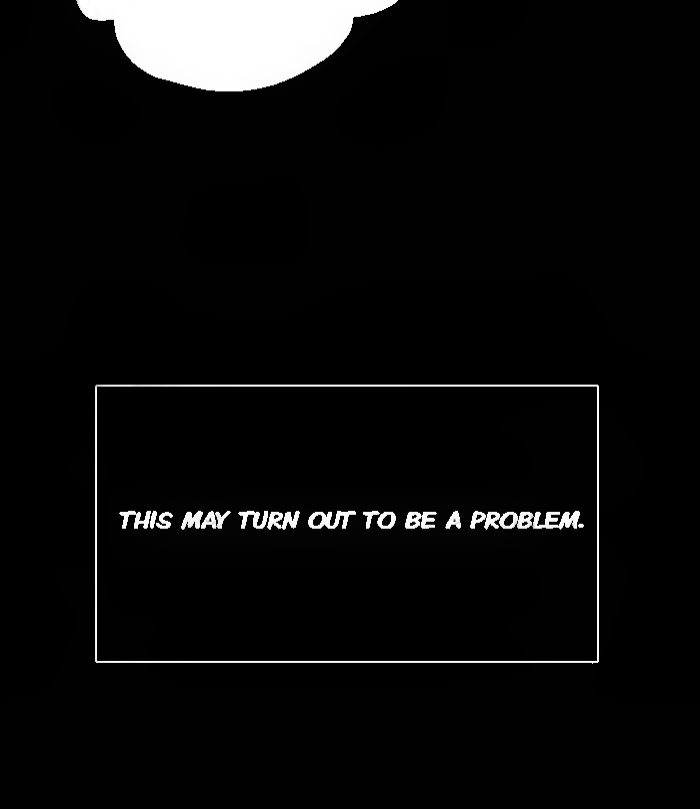
...PARIS!
PARIS?

SLAM

OH MY GOD, WHAT DID I JUST DO?

I GOT STARTLED THAT IT WASN'T PARIS...

FURTHERMORE— WHY IS SHE HERE AT THIS TIME OF NIGHT?!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